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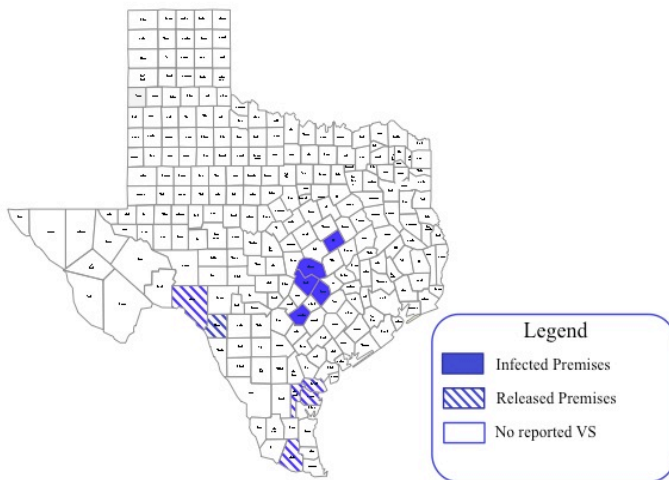
## Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC)

# Vesicular Stomatitis (VS) in Texas Update

August 27, 2014

Since the August 20 update, the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) received confirmation of two new cases of Vesicular Stomatitis (VS) in horses. One premises is located 2.9 miles northwest of Smithville in Bastrop County and one premises is located 10.6 miles west of Bastrop in Bastrop County. Five premises have been released in Travis County.

To date, 57 premises in 11 Texas counties have been confirmed with VS. Currently affected counties include: Bastrop, Falls, Guadalupe, Travis, and Williamson counties. Eleven of the 55 premises have been released and six counties have been released from quarantine: Jim Wells, Kinney, Nueces, San Patricio, Val Verde and Hidalgo counties.



The newly identified infected premises are currently under quarantine by the TAHC. Affected horses will be monitored by regulatory veterinarians while under quarantine. Premises are eligible for quarantine release 21 days after all lesions have healed.

***\*Case= A premises; a location\****

For **VS history and past updates** visit [http://www.tahc.texas.gov/animal\\_health/equine/equine.html](http://www.tahc.texas.gov/animal_health/equine/equine.html)

Several states are imposing enhanced entry requirements on Texas livestock due to VS cases. For information, contact the state or country of destination and/or visit [http://www.tahc.texas.gov/news/2014StateRestrictionsOnTX\\_VS.pdf](http://www.tahc.texas.gov/news/2014StateRestrictionsOnTX_VS.pdf).

For more information about VS, visit the TAHC's brochure at [http://www.tahc.state.tx.us/news/brochures/TAHCBrochure\\_VS.pdf](http://www.tahc.state.tx.us/news/brochures/TAHCBrochure_VS.pdf).

A USDA-APHIS VS fact sheet is available at [http://www.aphis.usda.gov/publications/animal\\_health/content/printable\\_version/fs\\_vesicular\\_stomatitis\\_2012.pdf](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/publications/animal_health/content/printable_version/fs_vesicular_stomatitis_2012.pdf).

For current USDA-APHIS VS situation reports visit [http://www.aphis.usda.gov/wps/portal/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth?1dmy&urile=wcm%3apath%3a%2Faphis\\_content\\_library%2Fsa\\_our\\_focus%2Fsa\\_animal\\_health%2Fsa\\_animal\\_disease\\_information%2Fsa\\_equine\\_health%2Fsa\\_vesicular\\_stomatitis%2Fct\\_vesicular\\_stomatitis](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/wps/portal/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth?1dmy&urile=wcm%3apath%3a%2Faphis_content_library%2Fsa_our_focus%2Fsa_animal_health%2Fsa_animal_disease_information%2Fsa_equine_health%2Fsa_vesicular_stomatitis%2Fct_vesicular_stomatitis).